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"It is important for parents to read their vehicle owner's manual and safety seat use instructions," said Mitchell.

Many child seats in use today are installed improperly, and children often are improperly secured in safety seats or car seats.

Safety seats must be installed and used properly to protect the child. Parents and caregivers also should understand which type of seat (infant, toddler/convertible or booster seat) is appropriate for the child's size and weight.

Mitchell said the middle of a vehicle's back seat is recommended as the safest place to install a child safety seat, and that children in rear-facing child seats should not be placed in the front seat of cars with passenger-side air bags. The impact of a deploying air bag striking a rear-facing child seat could result in injury to the child.

NHTSA operates a toll-free Auto Safety Hotline, 1-800-424-9393, to provide information on child safety seats, including seats which have been recalled for safety problems.

The City of Elba has been sued in federal court by several employees who felt they were wrongfully terminated. Each of these cases was settled out of court and each time the worker was returned to work and awarded damages.

In other business the council approved payment of bills totaling \$15,640.05. This total included \$448.65 for parts and repairs on vehicles; \$1458.70 for asphalt mix for street repairs; \$1317.97 for police uniforms and \$2276.06 for radio repairs.

Police Chief Bruce Peacock reported the department had received 247 complaints since the previous report and had filed 61 offense reports. They have made four criminal arrests and issued nine traffic citations, including seven for speeding. During the same period, the department investigated two automobile accidents, with no injuries involved.

City Clerk Henry Clark again brought up the need for a replacement of the knuckle boom loader. He proposed buying a loader and trailer and mounting them on the frame of the old street sweeper. He said Elba couldn't afford to pay the never-ending repair cost to maintain the street sweeper, but the truck had only 12,000 miles and was in good condition.

Clark estimated it would cost less than \$30,000 to make the conversion. He suggested the cost be split with the Water and Electric Board, as the utility department used it also, and awarded damages.

Clark then suggested the purchase of a new street sweeper, which he estimated would cost in excess of \$75,000. That suggestion got nowhere. Haywood noted Elba once used a part time person in the afternoon to work continuously in the business area and approaching streets cleaning the gutters.

Councilman Ben Carpenter suggested using work release inmates on Saturdays. Clark noted some management problems with this suggestion.

Work Release Director Ed Gullion was at the meeting and told the council they could furnish inmates throughout the week for this purpose.

Haywood asked Carpenter and Councilman John W. Sharpless to meet with Street Superintendent Bill Meeks and offer suggestions on this matter.

The Nissan was being driven by

Janna J. Hughes, age 16, of Enterprise, AL. William Morrow, age 16, who was also a passenger in the car was injured in the crash.

The other car was being driven by Charlie Johnson, age 24, of Route 2, Elba. Passengers in the car included his wife, Melissa Q. Johnson, age 19, and their infant son, Joseph T. Johnson, age 18 months.

Morrow was pronounced dead at the scene by Coffee County Coroner Marvin McLwain. Reportedly, she

was killed instantly in the collision. According to authorities, none of the occupants in the Nissan vehicle were wearing safety belts. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson were both wearing seat belts while the infant was in a child safety seat.

It took several minutes for rescue personnel to remove the victims from the twisted vehicles. Rescue units, as well as fire units, responded to the scene by Coffee County, Elba, and New Brockton.

The Johnson infant was being airlifted to a Birmingham hospital for specialized treatment for neck and back injuries.

Mrs. Morrow's body was removed from the scene by the Alabama Department of Forensic Sciences. An autopsy will be performed to determine the cause of death.

The crash occurred 6 miles west of Elba's City Limits on U. S. Highway 84 in the Curtis Community. Elba police were notified of the crash at 5:10 p.m., and emergency crews were dispatched immediately.

Alabama State Trooper Dale Cobb is investigating the accident as well as the 12th Judicial Circuit District Attorney's Office. Assisting at the scene were units from the Coffee County Sheriff's Department and Opel Police Department.

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With Ferrin Cox

New Hampshire is important in the process of electing a new president of the United States. Many people have often wondered aloud why that is a fact. It is a fact because the news media says it is important. We read that in some newspaper editorial this week and it struck a chord. That state is really no more important than any other, but it is early and the news media folks need something to write and talk about. ... New Hampshire becomes important. Now, putting it like that, if you choose to ignore New Hampshire because it just isn't important to you, do so and ignore the media.

The Republican presidential field lost a major contender last week. Senator Phil Gramm read the handwriting on the wall and went back to Texas, reportedly to concentrate on a race for re-election to the U. S. Senate. He urged his supporters to vote for Bob Dole. That recommendation didn't hurt Dole, but probably didn't help much either.

There was an especially bad traffic accident on Highway 84 Monday evening. No traffic accidents are "good", but some are worse. Death and serious injuries combine to make us shudder. Add in a seriously injured 18 month old child and it causes folks to stay awake at night. The next time you are on the highway and meet another car, ... imagine you were in a head-on collision with that vehicle. It should cause you to slow down, pay more attention to your driving, etc. Right now though, pray for those in that Monday accident.

What is happening in Montgomery with the Alabama Legislature? Even though they are officially in session, the members are mostly licking their wounds from the failed special "tort reform" session. Some hearings are officially being held, but most are poorly attended. Probably because of the previously mentioned special session. Time has a way of healing all wounds, and hopefully our lawmakers will recover from their injuries in time to conduct the necessary business of state.

One bit of disturbing news coming out of Montgomery this week is the idea of either renovating the Alabama State House or spending an estimated \$20 million on building a new facility. The excuse is a lack of room. Just a few years ago there was far less room and Alabama lawmakers managed to do their thing. Now they have a new expensive facility with more room, private offices (however small) and more, but it ain't enough. Sounds like that ol' fat millionaire on the hill ... need an other million.

The state of Georgia is fast becoming the bad guy. There has been an on going battle between Alabama and Georgia over water rights. Florida has gotten into that battle. Now South Carolina folks are accusing Georgia of drinking (or bathing in) their water! Those "Georgia folks" better watch out or everyone will be ganging up and shoving them right out into the ocean!

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ELBA POLICE REPORT

FEB. 13, 1996 Thru FEB. 19, 1996

The Elba Police Department, beginning Tuesday, February 13, 1996, investigated the following incidents: one assault, two harassing communications, four criminal mischiefs, one robbery, five harassments, one breaking and entering, three thefts of property, one failure to appear, one dog bite, one unruly child, one missing person, one criminal trespass, one theft of services, and one DUI.

Arrests made during the week were as follows: one for harassment, one for assault, one for robbery, one for failure to appear, one for harassing communication, and one for attempted robbery.

The following traffic citations were issued during the week: seven for speeding, one for DUI, and one for suspended driver's license.

Daily activity highlights were as follows:
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13 - River stage - 7.33 feet (6:08 a.m.); Grass fire on Co. Rd. 349 (12:09 p.m.); Alarm at Weekly's Tire Co. (12:12 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14 - Alarm at Haywood Drugs (4:08 a.m.); River stage - 7.08 feet (6:19 a.m.); Rescue run to Mullins Apt. (8:22 a.m.); Grass fire on Co. Rd. 370 (2:01 p.m.); Wreck reported at the intersection on U. S. Hwy. 84 and Al. Hwy. 166 (3:55 p.m.); Rescue run to wreck on U. S. Hwy. 84 (3:56 p.m.).

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15 - River stage - 6.92 feet (6:58 a.m.);

Wreck reported on Newton St. (7:54 a.m.); Rescue run to a wreck on Co. Rd. 114 (3:55 p.m.).

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16 - River stage - 7.76 feet (6:17 a.m.); Rescue run to Mullins Apts. (4:16 p.m.); Alarm at Elba High School (5:20 p.m.); Wreck reported on Taylor Mill Road (10:24 p.m.).

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17 - River stage - 7.31 feet (6:22 a.m.); Routine activity.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18 - Domestic disturbance reported on Herman Driggers Drive (1:11 a.m.); River stage - No Report; Burglary reported at residence on Herman Driggers Drive (5:26 p.m.); Disturbance (possible fight) on Williams St. (5:41 p.m.); Alarm at a residence on Cherokee Lane (8:39 p.m.).

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19 - River stage - 7.64 feet (6:35 a.m.); Rescue run from Elba General Hospital to a Dothan hospital (4:11 p.m.); Rescue run to a wreck on U. S. Hwy. 84W near Curtis Community (5:10 p.m.); Fire units dispatched to wreck on U. S. Hwy. 84W (5:11 p.m.); Rescue run from Elba General Hospital to a Dothan hospital (8:34 p.m.); Disturbance in Powell's Trailer Court on Caroline St. (11:13 p.m.).

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KEN

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made my decision about what I wanted to do with my life when I was a 9th grader. It was based on my association with a fabulous woman, Mrs. Kate Ham, who was a math teacher. She had a tremendous influence on my life. Her almost motherly style of teaching, personality, devotion to the students, and loyalty to her school; I held these attributes in the highest regard in terms of integrity." Mrs. Ham taught Ken Dyess in Elba, Alabama, from 8th until 12th grade. He stayed in touch with her for years after he graduated until her death.

Throughout his own high school years, Ken continued to look towards teaching as a profession. "As a high school student I began to make plans about what kind of teacher I wanted to be. These plans were based on what any high schooler would consider important. He remembered, "I promised myself that if I gave a test I would have it graded and given back the next day. Also, if my class was going to be dull and boring, then I would have to quit teaching. There needs to be in every lesson time for laughter and for excitement. The third thing was that I wanted my students to feel comfortable in the classroom. They should feel like they could ask questions without feeling any judgement from the teacher."

Ken's accomplishment of these three things is apparent in his continued devotion to the educational and emotional well-being of his students. He does get graded tests back the next day. He often tells jokes or stories in class. As one former student remembers, "Anybody that has gone

through his classes has heard tales about Elba and the Pea River. He would tell jokes. He came down on our level. Mr. Dyess was a breath of fresh air from the formality that teachers can exhibit." He also spends many hours, during and after school, explaining calculus, algebra or any other mathematical principle to those who need help. It is important to Ken that the students understand the principles and master the subject. Often, one sees a student sitting in Mr. Dyess' office listening to an explanation to a mathematical problem.

The students also know that he is always available as a shoulder to lean on. An alumna recollects, "Kids would go to him with any kind of problem, especially when they weren't comfortable talking to their parents. And it didn't end when school was out or they graduated. They would come to him during the summer and as college students. It wasn't only problems that they shared. They also brought him good news. This open-door policy is important to the success of Ken's relationship with his students. "Students realized that although I would support a teacher, I would also listen to a student. We may not always agree with students, but we certainly do need to listen to them."

Ken Dyess has indeed carved a niche for himself. The easy smile, gentle voice, and strong moral standards of this man have made their mark on many students. Education of the whole student is thriving in the office and classroom of Ken Dyess.

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LBW 27TH ANNUAL MATH TOURNAMENT...LBW College hosted the 27th annual Math Tournament held February 3, 1996. Twenty-two schools were represented from cities and counties in Alabama and Florida with 318 students participating. Awards were presented to individuals and teams in each class division. Scholarships were provided by the Andalusia Rotary Club, Andalusia Kiwanis Club, and the Kenneth Howell Memorial. Elba High School was the third place winner in the AA division. Pictured above (l to r) are Sue Adkins, sponsor; Mary Margaret Jacobs, Wendy Boutwell, Jenny Ross, Jarrod Adkins; and Lloyd Henderson, LBW College representative.

AUM professor releases preliminary study on effects of Alabama's chain gangs

The use of chain gangs in Alabama has reduced rural violations by 22% among prison populations in which chain gangs have been in use, according to a preliminary study by Auburn University at sociology Paul Sharp.

The study found that inmates are much more likely to take advantage of rehabilitative and educational programs in populations in which chain gangs have been in use than before. The number of inmate exposures by inmates also has been dropped. The study was conducted by Sharp using statistics provided by the Alabama Department of Corrections.

"Preliminary research indicates that assaults, fights, refusal to work, insubordination and other institutional misbehavior are down significantly where chain gangs operate," said Dr. Sharp.

"The results are encouraging for those who support the use of chain gangs as a crime deterrent to repeat offenders," he said. Sharp cautioned, however, against using chain gangs as a solution to all crime problems in Alabama.

Alabama became the first state in history to renew chain gangs as a form of punishment for state prisoners, and as a way to save money by reducing the guard/inmate ratio. The offenders assigned for the program spend 12-hour days working on various departmental and public projects. Inmates are shackled together eight feet apart in groups of five and are overseen by armed guards.

Applications being accepted for USDA Housing Preserving Grants

Horace H. Horn, Jr., State Director, Rural Economic and Community Development Service (RECD) (formerly Farmers Home Administration (FmHA)), an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, announces the availability of the FY 1996 Housing Preservation Grant (HPG) Program. This program is available to eligible organizations to rehabilitate individual dwellings and owned and occupied by very-low and low income rural persons, or single or multiple rental properties occupied by very-low and low income tenants in rural areas." Horn said, "Applicants should indicate whether the proposal is to assist individual homeowners or rental properties projects."

Applicants are encouraged to submit preapplications as early as possible prior to the April 1, 1996 deadline. Preapplications received after March 22 will not be allowed sufficient time for RECD to complete this initial review and contact applicants for supplemental materials needed. Preapplications submitted which are not complete by April 1 will be returned to the applicant.

The HPG Program is administered by the Rural Economic and Community Development Service (334) 279-3455. Preapplications must be submitted to: Horace H. Horn, Jr., State Director, RECD; Attn: Multi-Family Housing; Sterling Centre Office Building; 4121 Carmichael Road, Suite 601; Montgomery, AL 36106-3683.

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OBITUARIES

WILLIAM ALBERT (BILLY) OGGS

William Albert (Billy) Oggs, age 73 of Elba, Alabama, died Wednesday, February 14, 1996 at his home. Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, February 15, 1996 from the Hayes Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Robert Paul and Rev. Mart Gray officiating.

Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include his wife, Ibelle Oggs of Elba, AL; two daughters, Candace Bourne of Auburn, AL and Valerie Woods of Dover, Delaware; one son, William A. Oggs of Elba, AL; 8 grandchildren.

JOHNNIE MAE MAULDIN

Johnnie Mae Mauldin, age 85 of Elba, Alabama, died Wednesday, February 14, 1996 in an Elba, AL hospital.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, February 16, 1996 from the Ino Assembly of God Church with Rev. Chester Holley officiating.

Burial followed in the church cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include two daughters, Faye Canley of Aiken, South Carolina and Helen Ezell of Enterprise, AL; four sons, Norman Mauldin and Gerald Mauldin, both of Elba, AL; Hendricks Mauldin of Enterprise, AL; and Charles Mauldin of Samson, AL; six sisters, Gladys Parker, Merle Henley, and Evonne Spencer, all of Robertsdale, AL; Lois Livingston and Alice Earles, both of Banks, AL; and Elorette Zinner of Hannibal, Missouri; two brothers, Wayne Whittington of Elba, AL and Jimmy Whittington of Robertsdale, AL; 13 grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren.

WILLIAM HULEN BARBAREE

Mr. William Hulen Barbaree, age 70, of Dalton, Georgia, died Thursday, February 15, 1996 in a Dalton hospital, following a long illness.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 6:00 p.m. from the First United Methodist Church, of Dalton, with Reverend Al Tumell officiating.

Graveside services were held Monday at 3 p.m. at Evergreen Cemetery of Elba.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Jo (Marsh) Barbaree, Dalton, GA; two sons and daughter-in-law, Steve Barbaree of Chatsworth, GA, David and Karen Barbaree of Dalton, GA; Elba High School was the third place winner in the AA division. Pictured above (l to r) are Sue Adkins, sponsor; Mary Margaret Jacobs, Wendy Boutwell, Jenny Ross, Jarrod Adkins; and Lloyd Henderson, LBW College representative.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear People of Elba, Zion Chapel and Coffee County.

Last Saturday, February 17, I had the unfortunate experience of having a small burning refuse pile start a rather large, uncontrolled and rapidly spreading grass fire. Within a few short minutes, the gusty winds had pushed the flames across my pasture and were threatening my woods.

Immediately I called Elba's 911 and requested assistance. The woman dispatcher answering my call was very professional and assured me help would arrive shortly. Indeed it did because within 5-10 minutes two fire trucks from the Zion Chapel Volunteer Fire Department along with their crews were at work containing and extinguishing the fire. Additionally, neighbors and friends from here in the Lee Community arrived on scene to offer assistance.

As a recent newcomer to Elba I have been continually impressed with the friendliness and community spirit its people display. I spent 24 years in the Air Force and had the pleasure of working with what I believe were some of the finest people in the world. Last Saturday convinced me there were many others to add to the list.

I didn't have the chance to personally meet and thank all those who were there but my heartfelt thanks goes out to all the men of the Zion Chapel Volunteer Fire Department and their wives who also showed up to provide them with cooling refreshment and first aid. Thanks also to my neighbors Jackie Windham, Albert Lee, Wayne Bryan and some I didn't recognize. And finally, thank you to the people of Coffee County for supporting your local emergency services. I, for one, will forever be grateful and continue to support them. God Bless You All.

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Views From...

THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our local TV cable company offers around 36 channels, but at the Mularz house it seems like the only channels watched in the afternoon are the ones that show "Saved By The Bell." The show has been off the air for a couple of years; however, the reruns come on at least four of five times a day on various channels, and late in the afternoon the show comes on solid for two straight hours. I don't get to watch what I want until the news comes on at six o'clock, which is really okay with me, because I can think of a lot of worse things to watch than some teenage kids at school.

ELBA TIGERS HANG UP SNEAKERS WITH 6-14 RECORD

The Elba Tigers saw a disappointing season come to a disappointing end last week when the Tigers were eliminated from the Area 4 tournament in the opening round. The loss left the Tigers with a final record of 6 wins and 14 losses, and also ended their streak of being a part of the Regional Tournament at Troy State since the format was adopted back in 1994. It wasn't the ending that the players or fans had hoped for; however, it was probably a fitting ending considering the season as a whole.

Elba was expected to have a solid team this season and sprinted out to an early 4-1 record with wins over such teams as 6A Enterprise, 5A Opp and 4A Ashford, but then fell flat during a mid-season slump and dropped nine straight games as their record dipped to 4-10. Big wins over arrival Laverne and Opp gave hope for a last finish, but the Tigers then lost their final four games, and like they say, "The rest is history."

What happened? Elba lost two starters to graduation and one to an injury off last year's team, which also had a losing record, and had its third head coach in the last three years. Add to that the fact that this year's team simply wasn't blessed with a lot of talent, and it isn't really all that hard to figure out why the Tigers struggled. The players worked hard in practice and played hard in the games, it just wasn't their year!

AREA TEAMS HAVE MIXED RESULTS IN POST-SEASON PLAY

The second season began last week for high school teams across the state, and it also ended sooner than planned for some teams in the Area. Here's a quick look back.

***KINSTON** was in trouble in overtime against G.W. Long in the Bulldogs' Sub-Region clash, but woke-up from the Rebels' "sleeper hold" just in time and claimed a 29-26 win to advance to the Southeast Regionals for the first time in school history. Kinston allowed G.W. Long to dictate the pace of the game from the opening tip, and simply stood back and watched as the Rebels held the ball for minutes at a time, in an attempt to stay close to the usually high-scoring Bulldogs. Long was playing for the final shot in overtime and was ready to steal the win when the Rebels turned the ball over, and Kinston scored late to escape with the victory. Kinston's win in the Sub-Region was the fifth straight for the Bulldogs and should help Kinston basketball in its trip back to the top of the 1A rankings. No matter what Kinston does at Troy State, the Bulldogs win when it counted most late in the season and made it clear that the Bulldogs are back.

***NEW BROCKTON** lost its final two games of the season, and the losses came when it meant the most, as the Gamecocks closed out the season with an 18-11 record. New Brockton's loss to Kinston in the Area Tournament put the Gamecocks up against second-ranked Houston Academy, and while the Gamecocks played the highly-touted Raiders tough for three quarters, Brockton just couldn't make the key shots and saw its season come to an unexpected end. New Brockton appeared to be peaking at just the right time as it began to pile up the wins in mid-season; however, a tough schedule late in the year resulted in some tough losses, and perhaps the late-season losses took some of the confidence out of the Gamecocks. The end of the season was disappointing, but it was a solid year for the Gamecocks and there is no doubt that basketball is alive and well in New Brockton.

***BRANTLEY** saw its reign as the "King" of small school basketball come to a crashing end in the semifinal round of the Class 2A, Area 5 tournament as the Bulldogs were sent packing by the Clayton Tigers. The Bulldogs had split with Clayton during the regular season, but Brantley was convinced that the loss to the 5-14 Tigers was a fluke, and was looking forward to their fourth match-up of the season against the #1 Goshen Eagles. The fact Brantley had won three straight state championships made this year's team confident that it would play well once the tourney got underway; however, the success of Bulldog teams of the past was just that, in the past, and every team is judged on its own merit. Maybe this year's disappointing season will make next year's squad determined to put the Bulldogs back atop the state basketball world.

***ZION CHAPEL** was expected to cause headaches for its opponents in the Class 1A, Area 3 tournament, but the only ones aching after the opening round of the tourney were the Rebels, as they were blasted by 46 points by McKENZIE. Zion Chapel had some quality players and at times looked like a solid 1A club, while at other times the Rebels seemed uninterested. The Rebels have a very good coach and the basketball program has the support needed to be a winner, which are two very important ingredients. The only ingredient missing is confidence, and that can only come through experience, and winning. Look for the Rebels to put it all together soon, and then the confidence will carry them to more and more wins.

INDUCTEES PROVE NOT ALL GOOD GUYS FINISH LAST

I attended the induction ceremonies of the Wiregrass Sports Hall of Fame last weekend in Dothan, and as I was listening to the various biographies of the honorees I realized that despite what some people think, good guys don't always finish last.

I was present to show my respect for Charles Cole, a 1996 inductee, and left the banquet feeling honored to be able to call him a friend. Prior to the banquet, a video tape program used a song entitled "Wind Beneath My Wings" to express the feelings of the youth that are lucky enough to be active at the High-Houston County Boys Club. One of the lines in the song says "Did you ever know that you're my hero?" That one line from a song made me think about just how Charles Cole is, and has been, a hero for the youth of New Brockton and Coffee County for so many years. Since his playing days at Mulberry HS and Alabama State, throughout his career as a teacher and coach at Warren Smith, New Hope and New Brockton, and now as a principal and volunteer coach at New Brockton, Cole has always been a hero to the thousands of youngsters he has been around.

Charles Cole has never once placed himself first when asked to help someone, young or old, and in recent years has continued his dedication to the youth by forming a youth basketball league in New Brockton and being active in youth baseball. Cole is not active only in athletics, although it is one of his greatest loves. He is active in education, his community, his church and is devoted to his family. He is indeed a hero and has been the "wind beneath the wings" of many, many people throughout his life.

Many great men never receive their due reward until years after they are deceased, but this is not the case of Charles Cole. Saturday night, Cole was honored, and at the same time was able to share the honor with his friends and family, which made the honor so special to this special man. All of the inductees were deserving of their honor, but none will ever be any more deserving than Charles Cole!

FOOTBALL RULE CHANGES GET EARLY ATTENTION

The basketball season is just now entering its most exciting time of the year, and you can already hear the bats hitting the balls as baseball and softball teams are getting ready to begin their seasons. However, many headlines in recent days have centered around rule changes that will take effect next year in high school and college football.

The High School rule changes really weren't all that earth shattering, but will probably be noticed by some of the more die-hard football fans. The most noticeable change will be the stopping of the clock after the change of possessions, such as kickoffs and punts, and the change that will see the clock started on the snap following a change of possession when the opponent receives a first down. In years past the clock would re-start on change of possession when the ball was put in play by the referee, but the need for the change was to give consistency to the game, as some refs didn't put the ball in play as quickly as others. This change will add more plays to high school games, and possibly add as much as three to four minutes of playing time to the games.

A change that I think could cause some confusion early next season is the rule change that states entering substitutes shall be on the proper side

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SPORTS

Tigers end season with 6-14 record

Elba exits early in Area 4 tournament

The Class 3A, Area 4 Basketball Tournament was held last week at Louisville, with the second-ranked Red Devils and the Laverne Tigers earning the right to advance to Sub-Regional action.

Louisville upped its record to 22-3 in winning the Area 4 title, while Laverne moved on as the runner-up in the three-team event.

Following are tournament highlights:

SEMIFINALS:

LIVERNE 77

ELBA 72

Elba came out ready to play against its Area 4 rivals, and behind the scoring of Chris Tyson, took command as the Tigers pulled out to an 18-11 advantage.

Brian Rowe began to dominate inside in the second quarter and poured in 10 points as the Tigers carried a 36-31 lead at intermission; however, Laverne began to score from in close in the third

quarter and outscored Elba 20-11 to move on to post 51-47 after three quarters of play.

Elba picked up the pace offensively in the fourth quarter and had chances to pull out the win, but hit only 6 of 16 free-throws in the stanza as Laverne held on late and claimed the 77-72 win.

Elba, which hit only 14 of 33 free-throws in the game, was led by Brian Rowe with 23 points, while Chris Tyson added 16 and LeRay Smalley added 13. Laverne, which hit on 21 of 26 free-throws, was led by Kevin Freeman with 31 points.

Laverne (77): Brantley 8, Smith 11, Parks 4, Freeman 31, Willis 15, Knights 5.

Elba (72): Smalley 13, Daniels 4, Tyson 16, Rowe 23, Rayborn 4, Reed 4, Peterson 8.

FINALS:

LOUISVILLE 97

LIVERNE 53

The Louisville Red Devils left no doubt about their claim to the Class 3A, Area 4 crown Wednesday night as they pounded the Laverne Tigers 97-53.

Vencard Johnson scored 26 points and John Faulk added 20 to lead Louisville, while Kevin Freeman led Laverne with 16 points.

Elba All-Stars ready to compete in District ARPA basketball tourneys

The Elba Department of Parks and Recreation's "Basketball All-Stars" will hit the road this week to compete in the Alabama Recreation and Parks Association District Tourneys.

The "10 and Under" All-Stars will travel to Greenville to compete in the District 10 tournament. The All-Stars, coached by Rob Curran and Ken English, will be led by the high-scoring duo of Marcus Henderson and Channing Hooks. Henderson averaged over 15 points per game to lead the league, while Hooks scored 12 points per game average. Other members of the All-Star team include Matthew Curran, Jason Cur-

ran, Kyle English, Chris Byfield, Colby Capps, Colby Skinner, Justin Allen and Dwight Reynolds.

The "12 and Under" All-Stars will travel to Ft. Rucker, in their quest for a District title. The All-Stars are coached by Terry Burks, and will be led by the trio of Joshua Moutry, Terrence Kyles and Derrick Brooks. Moutry led the league in scoring with a 15.4 points per game average, followed by Kyles with a 12 point per game average and Brooks with a 10.9 points per game average. Other members of the All-Star team include Alan Head, Zed Daniels, Clay Suttley, Julius Smith, Jonathan Barton, Cole Davis and Timothy Andrews.

Softball tourney in Elba March 9

An unsanctioned men's softball tournament will be held on Saturday, March 9, at Hawkins-Williams Park, in Elba.

The entry fee is \$100 per team, with a home-run rule of one per game, unless waived by the teams.

NWTF offering advance tickets

Advance tickets are now on sale for the eighth annual fund-raising banquet and auction sponsored by the Southeast Alabama Chapter, National Wild Turkey Federation.

The NWTF is a nationwide non-profit conservation education organization now in its 23rd year. It is dedicated to the conservation of the American wild turkey, wise management of the American wild turkey as a valuable natural resource, and preservation of the turkey hunting tradition.

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Elba cheerleaders Anna Head (left) and Shannon Lott (right) kept the spirit as the Tigers battled in post-season action. Elba finished the season with a 6-14 record.

ELBA PARKS & RECREATION RECREATION REPORT

Youth baseball/softball registration now underway

The Elba Department of Parks and Recreation has announced that registration for the youth baseball and softball leagues in the city began on Tuesday, Feb. 20, and will continue through Friday, March 8.

Registration forms were passed out to all students in grades K-6 at the Elba Elementary School, and to all students in grades 7-9 at the Elba High School. Additional forms are available at City Hall, in Elba, and are also available at the various day care centers in the city.

Baseball leagues sponsored by the Recreation Department include Tee-Ball, for boys ages 4-6; Coach-Pitch, for boys ages 7-8; Dixie Minor, for boys ages 9-10; Dixie Youth, for boys ages 11-12; and Babe Ruth, for boys ages 13-15. A player's age is based upon his age prior to August 1, 1996, and placement into a league will be based upon league age. A registration fee of \$10 per player is charged, with a maximum fee per family of \$25. The fee must be paid prior to the team's first game of the season.

Softball leagues sponsored by the Recreation Department include Tee-Ball, for girls ages 4-6; Coach-Pitch, for girls ages 7-9; Slow-Pitch, for girls ages 10-12; and Junior Slow-Pitch, for girls ages 13-14. A player's age is based upon her age prior to Sept. 1, 1996, and placement into a league is based upon league age. A registration fee of \$10 per player is charged, with a maximum fee per family of \$25. The fee must be paid prior to the team's first game of the season.

Players in both baseball and softball will receive a team t-shirt and cap; however, all players will be expected to purchase their own pants, in the style agreed upon by the coach.

For more information, contact Elba Recreation Director Ricky Mularz at 897-6833 or 897-2333.

Men's softball league organizational meeting March 13

The Elba Department of Parks and Recreation will sponsor a Men's Softball League this spring, and has set the date of Wednesday, March 13, as the date for the organizational meeting. The meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m., at City Hall, in Elba, and anyone interested in entering a team in the league should be present at this important meeting.

The entry fee to enter a team in the league will be \$10 per player, and each team will hit its own ASA approved softball. Teams will be required to wear team jerseys, and rosters will be required prior to a team's first game of the season.

No team will be allowed to have more than two players classified as Class B or Above on its roster, and classification will be based upon team rosters from 1995, as verified by the ASA District Commissioner. A three home-run limit per game will be used, with all other home-runs being in the season.

For more information, contact Elba Recreation Director Ricky Mularz at 897-6833 or 897-2333.

Coaches needed for youth baseball/softball leagues

The Elba Department of Parks and Recreation is seeking coaches for youth baseball and softball teams. Baseball teams include Tee-Ball, Coach-Pitch, Dixie Minor, Dixie Youth and Babe Ruth, while softball teams include Tee-Ball, Coach-Pitch, Slow-Pitch and Junior Slow-Pitch. Coaches should be available for practices and games during the week, and anyone wishing to coach should contact Elba Recreation Director Ricky Mularz at 897-6833 or 897-2333.

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Rips New Brockton in finals

Kinston grabs Area 3 crown

The Kinston Bulldogs came to life in last week's Class 1A, Area 3, Basketball Tournament and claimed two surprisingly easy wins to claim the Area title.

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G.W. Long scored the first half in the half to cut the Kinston lead to 12-4 at halftime; however, the Bulldogs remained in control in the third quarter and owned a 19-9 lead with 3:44 left in the stanza following a three-pointer by Jeffery Dukes.

Kinston was in from 21-13 with 6:18 left in the game after a basket by Allen Bowdoin and appeared in command, only to see G.W. Long sneak in from 13-12 by the end of the quarter, and then took command in the fourth quarter as the Rebels went on a 17-2 run to open up a 30-17 halftime advantage.

The Brantley Bulldogs saw their three-year reign as the top small school team in the state come to an end last week as the Raiders went on a 17-2 run to open up a 30-17 halftime advantage.

Eric Cope scored 20 points and Antone Rogers added 16 for the (22-2) Eagles, while Lemane Wilson scored 12 to lead (2-15) Highland Home.

CLAYTON 90
BRANTLEY 76

The Brantley Bulldogs saw their hopes of winning a fourth straight state championship come to an abrupt end as the Clayton Tigers stunned the fourth-ranked Bulldogs 90-76.

Edward Burnett scored 18 points and Pete Hill added 16 as Brantley ended its season with a 14-8 record, while L.C. Wilson scored 24 points to spark the (6-14) Tigers.

FINALS:

GOSHEN 98

H. HOME 48

The top-ranked Goshen Eagles had no problems as they clobbered the Highland Home Flying Squad-ron 98-48.

SEMIFINALS:

KINSTON 66

PL. HOME 48

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PL. HOME (48): Stewart 15, Wilson 6, Henderson 7, Tidale 2, Wilkerson 14, Morris 4.

The New Brockton Gamecocks rallied from a seven-point fourth quarter deficit to claim an exciting 66-62 win over the McKENZIE Tigers.

The Gamecocks rallied from an early 6-2 deficit to grab an 8-7 lead on a jumper by Andrea Medley with 2:50 left in the opening stanza; however, the Tigers reeled off five straight points to regain the lead at 12-8 and owned a 15-10 with :20 left in the stanza.

A three-pointer and a lay-up by Chris Flowers pulled the Gamecocks even at 15-15 with 7:24 left in the half, and when Flowers drilled a three-pointer with 7:03 on the clock New Brockton had regained the lead at 18-17.

McKENZIE showed the Gamecocks they had come to play, and went on an 8-0 run midway through the quarter to move out to a 29-21 advantage with 3:45 remaining in the half.

New Brockton used its quickness on defense to answer the Tiger surge; however, and went in at the half tied at 32-32 after last-second three-pointers by Jerry Haynes.

New Brockton began to pull away early in the third quarter and pulled ahead 39-34 with 5:59 left in the stanza on a free-throw by Adam Barr, only to see McKENZIE close the quarter with a 15-6 run to carry a 49-45 lead into the final quarter.

The upset-minded Tigers owned a 56-49 lead with 6:25 left in the game and New Brockton appeared to be on the ropes, but a time-out seemed to settle down the struggling Gamecocks, and Adam Barr sparked a 15-3 run that pushed the Gamecocks ahead 64-59 with 1:45 left on the clock!

McKENZIE cut the lead to 64-61 with 1:31 left and had chances to regain the lead, but missed on three of four free-throw opportunities, and New Brockton iced the win late in the closing minutes to pull back away from the Rebels.

Chris Flowers scored 18 points and Adam Barr added 17 to lead New Brockton, while Andrea Medley added 11. Detric Womack scored 17 points to lead McKENZIE.

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Science & Math clubs participate in Adopt-A-Mile Program



As a community service project, the New Brockton High School Science and Math clubs have joined together and adopted a mile to clean up on a regular basis. The mile begins at the New Brockton Propane Gas Company and extends toward Elba. The groups have held three after-school clean-ups and are expecting to hold another in February. These students have come to realize how easily a little trash thrown out of the car windows can pile up and create a polluted environment. Please don't drop it on Alabama!

by Ashley Rogers & Renee Ammons

Caught'cha showing Gamecock Pride



Justin Campbell

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GAMECOCK GLORY

New Brockton High School News



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The two girls were among one hundred selected out of over five hundred applications received. Students were required to send a taped audition exercise, include scales and a challenging exercise. In addition, applicants were required to have the recommendation of their director.

"These are two of my best students," band director Dayna Ellis said. "I am very proud of both of them." Ellis went on to explain what a great achievement these girls made. "Students are selected from all over the Southeast. There were kids from Florida, Georgia, and other states in this area, as well as Alabama."

James Capenhaver, conductor of the Silver Band, is a well known conductor and musician. He was a staff member at FSU and is director of the University of South Carolina Symphonic Band. Heather participated as a member of his Silver Band.

The girls spent two days preparing for the concert which was held Saturday night. The music was more difficult than they normally play.

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"It was a lot of fun," stated Heather. "As soon as we arrived we began rehearsing. They were long rehearsals, not to mention the music was very difficult. But, all the hard work paid off." She also stated, "It was an honor to play in the Troy State Honor Band and I hope to be able to do so again next year."

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Seniors reveal first sweethearts

by Candice Hughes, Alicia Rodgers & Annie Kilpatrick

This being February, the month of love, we asked some of the seniors of 1996 who their first "Sweetheart" was and what grade they were in when they had their first taste of love.

Senior	Sweetheart	Grade
Alicia Rodgers	Paul Andrews	7th
Lanell Caldwell	Telecia Tills	1st
Manly Davis	Devin Kelly	1st
Media Davis	David Clavien	4th
Craig Spencer	Christina Childers	3rd
Maria Page	Chris Flowers	2nd
Deedra Owens	Michael Kelly	K
Jason Sims	Amber Drinkwater	8th
Heather Smith	Blaine Anderson	8th
Danise Theus	Brad Williams	9th
Gene Streeter	Teresa Haynes	9th
Luke Green	Jana Simmons	5th
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Adam Barr	Amanda Butler	5th
Chapman McCall	Shannon Love	2nd
	Sharon Marlar	2nd

FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

The Mustard Seed Seniors met on Wednesday, February 14, 1996. Members present for the meeting were Mary Seavey, Dorothy Crawley, Sis Wambles, Mattie Lou Goodson, Francis Shaboo, Rushia Blanton, Zealton and Evelyn Smith, Sammie and Inez Wambles, Frank and Magdalene McCollough. The members had a good time of fellowship and lunch.

Many of the members were still missing due to illness. The seniors that met at the foundation would like to invite others to come and enjoy a time of fun and fellowship with their group.

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"THE FREEMAN'S" from Hendersonville, TN will be in concert Thursday, February 22, 1996 at Love's Way Church beginning at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is cordially invited to attend. Love's Way Church is located 3 miles west of Enterprise on Highway 134 (Damascus Road), which is 1/2 mile from the 84 By-pass. For more information, call (334)393-6731.

Mustard Seed Foundation News

Open House to be held

Open House will be held at the Wee Care Day Care in the Shiloh Community Saturday, February 24, 1996 3:00 p.m.

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Mulberry Baptist District Assoc.
The Mulberry Baptist District Association Observance of Black History Month will be held February 24, 1996 at 6:00 p.m. at the Mulberry Education Building in Elba, AL. Rev. J.G. Chatmon is moderator.

Mrs. Glarene Jones
A Birthday Party For Me?
The family of Mrs. Glarene Jones of Elba, AL hosted a surprise birthday party at the Southeast District Singing Hall in Elba, AL on February 10, 1996. The party began at 7:00 p.m. Glarene received much "green" and other useful gifts from family and friends.

Southwest District State Convention Board Meeting
The Southwest District State Convention in affiliation with Alabama Baptist State Convention Inc., board meeting will be held March 14, 1996 at 10:00 a.m. at the New Bethel MB Church of Dothan, AL. Dr. V.J. Coleman is district president. The church is located at 110 Allen Road.

Brotherhood & Laymen Dept. Program
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Attitude is the most important factor in failing successfully. Losers dwell on the negatives of the past. Winners dwell on the potential of the future. Your vocabulary reveals much about your attitude. One leadership expert surveyed seventy of America's top business persons and discovered that none of them used the word "failure." They preferred to call their mistakes "learning experiences," "tuition paid," "detours," or "opportunities for growth." Humor is another indicator of your attitude. Most of us would do well to lighten up on ourselves and those around us. We ought to be more like the coach who missed, "Last season we couldn't win at home and were losing on the road. My failure as a coach was that I couldn't think of any place else to play." A positive attitude reflected by your vocabulary and your sense of humor will help you to fail without failing.

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Second Grade

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Fourth Grade

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Fifth Grade

Blake Lambert, Shawna Hill, Kimberly Farris, Chris Brunson, Misty Moore, Zachary Praytor, Joshua Tice, Diane Ware, Brandon Petty, Deann Smith, Trent Farris, Jesse Holloway, Melissa Sanders, Colby Skinner, Rick Smith.

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